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## **Agenda Item 2: Review Outcome of Relevant Meetings**

### **RASG-APAC/14 MEETING OUTCOMES**

(Presented by the Secretariat)

#### **SUMMARY**

This paper shares with the AOP/SG/9 the outcomes of RASG-APAC/14 meeting which may be of interest to AOP/SG.

## **1. INTRODUCTION**

1.1 The Regional Aviation Safety Group – Asia and Pacific Regions (RASG-APAC) was established in October 2011 following the ICAO Council decision in May 2010 and supported by the 47<sup>th</sup> Conference of the Directors General of Civil Aviation, Asia and Pacific Regions in October 2010.

1.2 Consistent with the Planning and Implementation Regional Group (PIRG) mechanism established for addressing air navigation matters and deficiencies, the RASG-APAC has been established with the primary objective of addressing flight safety matters.

1.3 The RASG-APAC Term-of-Reference (TOR) calls for the development and implementation of a work programme that supports a regional performance framework for the management of safety.

1.4 To assist RASG-APAC in meeting its objectives, Asia Pacific Regional Safety Team (APRAST) supported by various sub-working groups like the APAC AIG, SRP Working Group, SEI Working Group and Asia Pacific Regional Aviation Safety Plan (APRASP) Working Group were established.

1.5 RASG-APAC and APRAST have provided the APAC States and industry partners with a forum to share, discuss and address existing and emerging safety concerns, SEIs and Safety Data Analysis in the APAC Region.

## **2. DISCUSSION**

2.1 Since its inception in 2011, RASG-APAC held 13 meetings. The Fourteenth Meeting of the Regional Aviation Safety Group – Asia and Pacific Regions (RASG-APAC/14) was held at was held at the Bangkok, Thailand from 28-29 November 2024. The Meeting was attended by 94 participants face to face and 15 participants online from 22 States/Administrations and 09 International Organizations/Industry Partners. The Progress Report of the RASG-APAC/14 Meeting's Decisions/Conclusions is provided as **Appendix A** to this paper.

2.2 RASG-APAC/14 adopted ten (10) Decisions, out of which Five (05) Decisions are ‘In Progress’ (RASG-APAC 14/2, 14/3, 14/4, 14/5, 14/10) and Five (05) are ‘Proposed to be Closed.’

2.3 The Report of the RASG-APAC/14 and the 2024/2025 RASG-APAC Work Programme can be accessed through <https://www.icao.int/APAC/Meetings/Pages/2023-RASG-APAC14.aspx>.

### **3. ACTION BY THE MEETING**

3.1 The Meeting is invited to note the information contained in this paper.

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**List of Updated RASG-APAC/14 Decisions and Conclusions**

Conclusion/ Decision --- Strategic Objective*	Title of Conclusion/ Decision	Text of Conclusion/Decision	Responsibility	Deliverable	Target Date	Status	Action by RO/HQ/ANC
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
Decision RASG- APAC 14/1 —  A & B	Update on APRAST/21 and APRAST/22 – WP/6	That, the Decisions adopted at APRAST/21 and APRAST/22 as described in Attachment A and B to the WP/6 be endorsed.	RO	Action in accordance with the Decision.	By RASG 15	Progress:  All Action items of APRAST/22 are closed.  <b>Action:</b> Proposed to be Closed	RO to follow up
Decision RASG- APAC 14/2 —  A & B	Update on Work Done by APAC- AIG – WP/7	That, RASG-APAC/14 approved the APAC-AIG Code of Conduct (CoC) on the cooperation relating to Civil Aviation Accident/Incident Investigation to be recognized as the Investigation Cooperation Mechanism (ICM) for APAC Region. Necessary ToRs in RASG Procedure Handbook shall be amended accordingly.	RO  APAC-AIG	Action in accordance with the Decisions.	By RASG 15	Progress:  AIG Co Chairs and AIG Expert Group (AIG-EG) shall prepare the Draft ToRs and table it in AIG/13. The approved ToRs of AIG/13 shall be placed in RASG-APAC/15 for the endorsement of RASG.  <b>Action:</b> In Progress	RO

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Decision RASG- APAC 14/3 —  A & B	Update on Work Done by APAC- AIG – WP/7	That, AIG WG to monitor the progress of Final Accident Investigation Reports and provide feedback of the published report by the APAC States/Administrations for air transport aircraft accidents above 5,700 kg and report back to RASG-APAC.	RO  APAC-AIG	Action in accordance with the Decisions.	By RASG 15	Progress:  AIG Co-Chairs shall update on the published report by the APAC States/Administrations for air transport aircraft accidents above 5,700 kg in AIG/13 Meeting and report back to RASG-APAC/15. RO may request HQ for such database of unpublished reports.  <b>Action:</b> <b>In Progress</b>	RO to follow up
Decision RASG- APAC 14/4 —  A & B	Coordination Mechanism Between Regional Aviation Safety Groups (RASGs) And Teams (RASTs) – WP/8	That, APRAST WG Co-Chairs are to:  a) Commence a trial of the coordination mechanism with PA-RAST, including the sharing of regional safety alerts/ advisories, virtual meetings between Co-Chairs, and using a common online platform for immediate communication between meetings.	APRAST CO- CHAIRS  RO  SEI WG	Action in accordance with the Decisions.	By RASG 15	Progress:  The trial already commenced with the kickoff meeting between APRAST and PARAST leadership on 1/15/2025. Next meeting is scheduled for April 17, 2025.  <b>Action:</b> <b>In Progress</b>	RO

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		b) After assessing the mechanism for up to two years, necessary changes to be adopted in the RASG Procedure Handbook and share the same experience with other RASGs.					
<b>Decision RASG-APAC 14/5</b> —  <b>A &amp; B</b>	<b>Establishment of A RASG-APAC Safety Advisory - WP/9</b>	That, RASG-APAC/14 agreed to the changes to the ToRs found in the WP/9. All changes will be incorporated in the next revision of the RASG-APAC Procedural Handbook.	RO  SEI WG	Action in accordance with the Decisions.	By RASG 15	Progress:  All respective changes to the ToR are explicitly outlined in RASG-APAC 14 WP/09, section 2.4. All changes were approved by RASG-APAC/14 and thus, will be incorporated into the next revision of the Procedural Handbook.  <b>Action:</b> <b>In Progress</b>	RO
<b>Decision RASG-APAC 14/6</b> —  <b>A &amp; B</b>	<b>Review of Progress of RASG-APAC/13 Decisions and Conclusions – WP/10</b>	That, the Decisions adopted at RASG-APAC/13 as described in Appendix A of the WP/10 be endorsed.	All	Action in accordance with the Decisions.	By RASG 15	Progress:  All 10 Decisions/Conclusions of RASG-APAC/13 are ‘Closed’.  <b>Action:</b> <b>Proposed to be Closed</b>	RO

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Decision RASG- APAC 14/7 —  A & B	ICAO Pacific Small Island Developing (PSID) States Liaison Office Progress and Planned Activities 2024/2025 – WP/12	That, noting Pacific Small Island Developing States' (PSIDS') needs for regulatory and technical training, on-the-job training, and appropriately qualified experts to support ICAO-coordinated activities and projects, States are urged to provide: a) - Regulatory and technical training opportunities. - On-the-job training opportunities; and - Appropriately qualified personnel for temporary deployments or short-to-medium term secondments.  b) to support PSIDS-focused activities and projects.	All  PSIDS LO	Action in accordance with the Decisions.	By RASG 15	Progress:  The Decision RASG-APAC 14/7 to be followed up time to time by the PSID LO and RO shall remain in close coordination for such efforts of training, OJT, Secondments and Focused Activities in island states.  <b>Action:</b> Proposed to be Closed	RO
Decision RASG- APAC 14/8 —	RASG-APAC Yearly/Standing Work Programme 2024/2025 (proposed) – WP/20	That, the proposed RASG-APAC 2024/2025 Yearly Work Programme is approved, as in <b>Appendix A of WP/20</b> .	All	Action in accordance with the Decisions.	By RASG 15	Progress:  There are three tasks captured in the RASG-APAC 2024/2025 Yearly Work Programme and RASG-APAC Subgroups are	RO

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A & B						working on the task implementation.  <b>Action:</b> Proposed to be Closed	
Decision RASG- APAC 14/9 —  A & B	APANPIRG and RASG-APAC Coordination meeting by all Chairs and Co- Chairs – WP/22	That,  a) APANPIRG and RASG-APAC shall coordinate and execute the identified events as shown in 6.1.2 of the report (or, para 2.5 of WP/22) and provide feedback to both the PIRG and RASG Chairs during Mid-Term PIRG-RASG Review Meeting by the respective/engaged Group Chairs.  b) APRAST Co-Chairs to identify a ‘Lead’ for each Event/Activity where RO shall facilitate with required State Letters and necessary information.	All  RASG-APAC and Sub-Groups  APANPIRG and Sub-Groups	Action in accordance with the Decisions.	By RASG 15	Progress:  The issue was discussed during APRAST 21 with APANPIRG Focal Points for arranging a Workshop or an effective discussion forum and take the outcome to upcoming APANPIRG-34 and RASG-13 Meetings as it is scheduled back- to-back in Bangkok.  <i>All the Sub-Group Co-Chairs of both APANPIRG and RASG- APAC are invited on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2024 through a formal Invitation Letter to join on a VTC and discuss the issue together under</i>	RO

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						<p><i>Agenda 5 during the upcoming APANPIRG/34 &amp; RASG-APAC/13 Midyear Review Meeting scheduled on 23 August 2024.</i></p> <p><i>A further discussion took place on 27<sup>th</sup> November 2024 at the end day of APANPIRG and before the RASG meeting by all Co-Chairs and the agreed mechanism shall continue.</i></p> <p><b>Action:</b> Proposed to be Closed</p>	
<b>Decision RASG-APAC 14/10</b> —	<b>APANPIRG and RASG-APAC Coordination meeting by all Chairs and Co-Chairs – WP/22</b>	That, After the prioritized events (Decision RASG-APAC 14/9) are being exercised APANPIRG and RASG-APAC chairs shall work out a suitable coordination mechanism taking the experience of Decision 14/9 and formalize the mechanism in respective procedure handbook of PIRG /RASG.	All  RASG-APAC and Sub-Groups  APANPIRG and Sub-Groups	Action in accordance with the Decisions.	By RASG 15	<p>Progress:</p> <p>RO to Follow up.</p> <p><b>Action:</b></p> <p>In Progress</p>	RO